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Briefly

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Included in today's issue of your Granite City Journal is a voluntary subscription envelope for the first half of 1991. Your semi-annual voluntary subscription helps us to defray a small portion of the news, sports and feature coverage in your Journal each week.

We have been pleased to include a number of new features in the journals, including exclusive local coverage from Washington, D.C., Springfield, Ill., and Jefferson City, Mo., on how congressional and legislative issues impact your local communities.

We have been able to increase the use of full-color photography in recent weeks and plan to do more in the future.

We have designated space on the enclosed subscription envelope for your comments. We welcome suggestions you might have about possible improvements which would help the journals serve you better in the coming months. Thank you for your continued support.

Managing editor Scott Queen

Tip of the hat



Gary Richard Sullivan has accepted an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. He is the grandson of Herman Apponey Sr. of Granite City, the nephew of Kathleen Apponey Jones and Herman Apponey Jr., both of Granite City, and the son of Dennis and Patricia Apponey Sullivan of Conyers, Ga. Gary Sullivan is a senior at Rockdale County High School in Conyers.

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Deaths called murder/suicide

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

VENICE — The shooting deaths Saturday of a woman and man, have been classified by police as a homicide/suicide. Robin Boyd, a 33-year-old woman, and LaVall Glasper, a 45-year-old man, were shot within 20 minutes of each other but in different locations, according to police records.

Special Investigator Edward Morton of the Madison County Coroner's Office said Boyd and Glasper had been dating.

Boyd, of the 1200 block of Market Street, Venice, was shot twice once in the head and once in the chest — just before 1 p.m. Saturday, according to Police Chief Birl Reed.

Reed said Boyd was discovered alive in the alley behind her home and was immediately transported to St. Elizabeth Medical Center by Campbell's Ambulance.

She was later transferred to St. Louis University Hospital and was pronounced dead there shortly after 2 a.m. Sunday, Reed said.

Glasper, of the 500 block of Jefferson Avenue, Venice, was

found shot at his home shortly after 1 p.m. Saturday. He was pronounced dead in the residence at 2 p.m. by Morton.

Morton said Glasper's shooting is regarded as self-inflicted. He said Glasper was found with a single gunshot wound to the head and a weapon was discovered nearby.

Reed said the weapon was a 32-caliber handgun. He said police believe the same gun was used in both shootings.

Officers responding to the Boyd shooting were told by witnesses that Glasper and Boyd had been seen talking in the alley behind her home shortly before gunshots were reported to police, Reed said.

Reed said officers were attempting to contact Glasper to question him about the Boyd wounding when witnesses reported hearing a shot fired in Glasper's home.

Upon entering the Glasper residence, Reed said, officers found him lying on the floor with a single gunshot wound.

"We really don't know exactly what happened," Reed said. "The report we had of their discussion was not like a heated argument or a fight."

Home pride award program begun

GRANITE CITY — A program to honor persons whose properties reflect pride in ownership has been established by the Community Pride Committee of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce and the Press-Record/Journal.

The first homes will be cited during May and nominations are now being encouraged.

The award program's launch coincides with the annual Stash Trash cleanup campaign on April 20.

Special emphasis is being placed on those properties that have become models for the rest of the neighborhood. Included will be owners who have remodeled, planted floral gardens, cleaned up properties or otherwise demonstrated significant pride in the display of their homes and surrounding properties.

Each month the pride committee will choose a select number of properties to be cited during the ensuing time period.

Homeowners will be presented

a certificate and a Community Pride Home Award sign that can be placed in the yard, to show others of the recognition.

Winners will also be cited in continuing coverage by the newspaper.

Homes will be selected purely on the basis of nomination by members of the community. Nominations are open to any residence (including homes, apartments and other dwellings) in the Quad City area, including Nameoki, Chouteau, Venice and Granite City townships.

To nominate someone for the honor, simply send the person's name, address, telephone number and reason for citing the individual.

Nominations should be mailed to the Community Pride Committee, care of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce, 1831 Delmar, Granite City, Ill. 62040. The chamber can be called at 876-6400 for more information.



(Staff photo by Pam Doepke-Hurd)

THESE GUNS USED IN CRIMES have been confiscated and are now the property of the Granite City Police Department.

Confiscated guns pile up

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Scenario: An elderly man has barricaded himself inside his home with an arsenal of about 25 weapons of various kinds. Saturday night specials, shotguns and fully-automatic pistols. He has cases of ammunition at his disposal.

He says he is going to "end it all" and is going to take others with him.

Fortunately, after hours of negotiations and some delicate work by the police department, the man is apprehended without injuries. No shots are fired.

What then happens to the weapons?

According to Assistant Chief Ron Selph of the Granite City Police Department, the guns and ammunition will be confiscated, and the department will seek a court order remanding the weapons to the possession of the department. Through this means and others, the department accumulates and retains over 100 stray guns at

almost any time, according to Selph. He said the department comes into possession of weapons in a number of ways.

"Sometimes a weapon is found during a routine search of a subject," he said. "Or a weapon is confiscated because the owner doesn't possess a Firearm Owner Identification (FOID) card."

"In rare cases," Selph said, "someone will bring a weapon to us because they no longer have any use for it. Maybe it belonged to someone in the family who passed away, and the family doesn't want it around."

Capt. James Lengyel estimated the department confiscates "less than 50" weapons in the course of a year.

Every gun turned over to the department is made the topic of an order signed by a judge, Selph noted.

The confiscated weapons are kept in a limited-access area, locked in a vault to which only evidence officers have a key, Selph said.

"I don't even think I have one," he said. "And

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Circus set for Madison raceway

EAST ST. LOUIS — The annual Ainad Shrine circus will not be held in Granite City this year, but it will be held nearby.

John Craver, administrator for Ainad Temple, said officials of Gateway International Raceway signed a contract last week to accommodate the circus at the track on Tuesday through Thursday, June 4, 5 and 6, at 7:30 p.m.

The raceway site in Madison was the third alternative location for the circus. Tri-City Speedway and Granite City High School were previously considered, but contracts could not be reached with officials of those two entities. Craver said the traditional circus parade will be held in Granite City at 7:30 p.m. June 3.

Program aids schools

Area students and schools interested in participating in the Kids-Can-Recycle aluminum drive to earn money for extracurricular activities can call 726-3346.

The drive started March 16, and runs through April 16. The drive will gather both the traditional beverage cans and heavier aluminum products such as abandoned canoes.

Drive sponsors are Schnucks Markets Inc., Recycled Products International Trade Association, Missouri Energy Resources Project, World Resources Ltd., Reynolds Aluminum and the Suburban Journals.

Winners of the drive will be announced April 21 at the first Environmental EXPO at Kiel Auditorium.



County may hire food inspector

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — Madison county doesn't have establishing a health department on its agenda, but officials are thinking about hiring a food inspector.

County Board member Robert Stille, D-Edwardsville, said the possibility is being explored and a decision should be announced in the next two to three weeks.

"(A food inspector) is one of the things that we are lacking," said Stille, chairman of the Health Committee. "Otherwise we're fairly well covered."

Stille said State's Attorney William Haine had been asked to look into the matter because the county currently has no ordinances governing food inspection.

But even if the county would hire a food inspector, it won't do much toward solving the problem, said John Pitzer of the Illinois Department of Public Health's Edwardsville office.

"That person would have no authority in a municipality," Pitzer said.

Pitzer said of the estimated 1,200 food-serving businesses in Madison County, more than 80 percent are within municipalities. Madison County is the largest of only 14 counties in the state that does not have its own health department, Pitzer said.

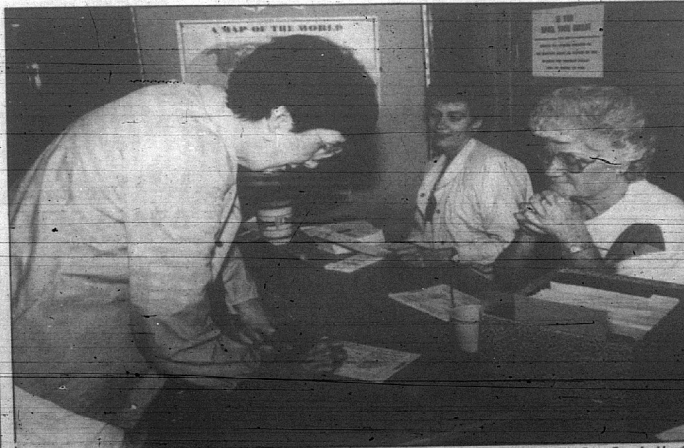
And "right now nothing's being done" about the inspection of food, Pitzer said. "Most people are shocked when they find out we're not their county health department."

IDPH investigates only when there is a complaint, accounting for 20 to 30 calls per year, Pitzer said.

Twice-a-year routine food service inspection is just one of the basic services provided by a county health department, Pitzer said. Municipalities could hire someone to do those inspections, but it's not something the IDPH is rallying for because of the expense.

"(Those inspections) are part of the total picture of public health," Pitzer said. "We would highly recommend that the county

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(Staff photo by Pam Doepke-Hurd)

ELECTION DAY: Lois McDowell, center, of Granite City, signs her application for a ballot under the watchful eyes of election judges Betty Tester, left, and Irene Belshe early Tuesday morning at Prather Elementary School.

Germania may face prosecution

Evidence uncovered in an FBI probe of Germania Bank will be turned over to a federal grand jury for prosecution, according to sources.

A grand jury may be called late this spring to hear testimony from FBI agents investigating the failure of the 100-year-old savings bank, sources said.

A box of Germania files, subpoenaed by the FBI, will figure into the grand jury probe, according to the sources.

U.S. Attorney Frederick Hess confirmed that a task force of FBI agents, postal authorities and federal securities officers is probing irregularities at Germania.

"We are looking at a multitude of crimes in the downfall of Germania," Hess said. "The FBI has already spent six months on the investigation."

The task force is investigating heavy losses by Germania, including \$12.9 million in 1989, sources said.

Madison County State's Attorney William Haine, who is helping Hess in the probe, said, "Federal investigators want to know if officials high up in Germania misrepresented the value and sale of the (unsecured capital) notes."

Germania sold more than \$10 million in capital notes to 800 people in Illinois and Missouri in 1989.

Haine furnished Hess with files from his investigation into the sale of the capital notes.

A 20-member task force of FBI agents and securities investigators in Illinois and Missouri is auditing Germania records.

"Federal prosecutors in Illinois and Missouri have joined forces in the investigation,"

Hess said.

The probe is led by Hess in the Southern District of Illinois and U.S. Attorney Bill Roberts in the Central District in Springfield.

U.S. Attorney Stephen Higgins in the Eastern District of Missouri has joined in the Germania investigation.

Special Agents Dale Schuler and Jim Quick of the FBI office in Alton and agents in Missouri are questioning Germania officials and former employees.

The FBI is also examining irregularities found in an audit of Germania by the federal Resolution Trust Corp.

The U.S. Office of Thrift Supervision appointed the Resolution Trust Corp. to manage the insolvent federal savings bank.

The Office of Thrift Supervision seized the insolvent \$785 million institution on June 22, 1990.

Germania's office in Alton and 12 other branches in Illinois and Missouri remain open.

Securities investigators are looking at records of Germania's investments in junk bonds and commercial loans, sources said.

From the Alton Telegraph



(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)

PLANTING SEASON: Susan Stegall, left, and Shawn Patrick plant barberry, a thorny bush, as a border at Illinois Power's East 23rd Street substation. The surrounding area is being converted into an outdoor classroom and education area. The students are seniors at Granite City High School and are members of the school's science club, which is planting the bushes as the first phase of the ongoing project.

'Summer Fun' contest under way

Teen-agers are getting antsy, day-dreaming of school's end and leisurely days at the pool. Adults are suffering much the same. Spring fever.

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We'll pop for a \$25 dinner for the best essays by local residents on their summer vacation memories. There are two categories — high school students and adults. Essays should be in the 250- to 300-word range. There will be two winners in each category. Winners will be selected by editors.

Entries must be mailed to Journal Essays, 1815 Delmar, Granite City, Ill. 62040. Entries must be received no later than April 9. For information call 477-7700.

We plan to print the winning essays, and some of the others, in an upcoming issue.

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Village gets easement for road

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

PONTOON BEACH—An agreement has been signed by Pontoon Baptist Church granting the village a right of way easement along Kaseberg Lane.

The road, also known as East Pontoon Road, is to be improved.

The 50-foot easement along Kaseberg Lane extends from Illinois 111 to a causeway where the road enters Quality Beach Homes Park.

Another easement still is required, from the owners of Quality Beach Homes, relating to property near the causeway.

Meetings and discussions about the road project have been held since August 1988. Pontoon Baptist owns about 80 acres in the vicinity of Kaseberg Lane.

As part of the agreement, the village earlier approved relocating a well and water lines on the church property, and allocated \$2,000 for the inconvenience and the relocation project.

"It was a slow process but we did it," Mayor Glen Wilson said. "It didn't seem to take Mr. (Engineer John) Hales very long to do it," commented Trustee Irene Karlechik.

Hales, an engineer with Shepard, Morgan & Schwaab, has been working with church officials for the past few months. The church has voted its approval of the easement.

"Basically, it will straighten out the road to the intersection," Trustee Loren Madison asked.

"It will greatly improve the intersection at Pontoon Road

and Illinois 111," Hales replied. In other business, trustees approved a business license for Evelyn P. Rogers, who wants to operate a sports card retail sales shop at 427 Illinois 111.



(Staff photo by Pam Doolittle-Hurd)

HUMANE SOCIETY GETS MESSAGE ACROSS: David Todd, maintenance supervisor for Vollman rotary billboards of Collinsville, puts the last panel of a billboard into place. Vollman has donated the space to the Madison County Humane Society to help promote April as "Prevent a Litter Month." Owners are being urged to have their pets spayed or neutered.

Industrial retention program begins

Representatives of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce, city governments and businesses are conducting the first phase of the Tri-Cities Area Industrial Retention Expansion Program.

The effort was developed by the chamber "in response to the realization that retention and expansion of the area's existing employers is vital to our present well-being and essential if we are to experience real growth," according to R. C. Bush.

Executive vice president of the chamber, Bush said most existing local and regional economic development efforts have centered on the attraction of new businesses and industries to the area.

"Although that is important to the future of the local area, Bush said, he said 65 to 80 percent of new job creation comes from businesses that are already in the area.

"Therefore, it behooves us to give careful attention to the needs of existing industry," he said.

The first phase of the retention effort will include visits to area manufacturing employers in an

effort to familiarize them with local, state and federal assistance programs designed to maintain or improve profitability.

Programs available include job training, management assistance, fixed-asset financing and public works improvements.

Call teams, made up of 40 to 50 local government officials, local business persons and economic development professionals, will visit 60 to 70 area manufacturing businesses and businesses that provide a service to manufacturers.

Other objectives of the visitation will include:

1. Establish contact and lines of communication with local CEOs (chief executive officers) of the firms.
2. Provide initial information to the local CEOs on existing support programs (local, state and federal) open to them.
3. Identify immediate needs/problems, especially those that might benefit from local, regional and state attention.
4. Provide information on the area, region and state.
5. In general, send a signal to

the CEOs and through them to management that the community is concerned about each firm's economic health.

6. Make them aware that the key contact through which the businessman can begin a search for assistance is the executive at the chamber office.

Bush said, "We recognize the benefits of existing industry, and their contributions in making this a better place to live."

"They are our best ambassadors. We want them to know they are welcome in the local community."

"It is most important that our existing businesses continue to invest in the community. It's not economically advantageous for them to pack up and leave. And the purpose of the program is to make sure conditions are on their best behalf."

Bush said he hopes the program will help existing businesses continue to grow and prosper in the community, thereby providing employment opportunities for local residents.

"One of the exciting features of the program," Bush said, "is that it offers the opportunity for different groups to come together and work toward a common goal—the economic health of the Tri-Cities area."

Coalition to promote issues

The Illinois-Missouri Legislative Coalition being organized by State Sen. Frank C. Watson, R-Greenville, to establish a partnership on regional issues met for the first time March 22 in St. Louis.

"There are many economic factors that affect the St. Louis

metropolitan area in both Illinois and Missouri, such as better transportation," Watson said.

"This new organization will allow legislators from our two states to work together on projects that can be of mutual benefit."

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Old Chain of Rocks resurfacing studied

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

PONTON BEACH — Actions involving an agreement with the state highway division and a permit for McDonald's Restaurant were delayed at last week's meeting of the Village Board of Trustees.

An application for a building permit to erect a new double-faced electronic marquee with changeable letters at McDonald's Restaurant, 2 Engineer Road, was tabled after trustees learned the sign already had been erected.

"It may not be fully functional but that sign was erected today," Trustee Marvin Ribbing

informed the board after the application was read.

"I'd like to table this, as they (McDonald's) have to abide by village ordinances as everyone else in the village has to do," Ribbing said.

"You mean it's up already?" asked Mayor Glen Wilson.

"Yes, I drove by there tonight and it is up. As I said, it may not be fully functional but it is up," Ribbing replied.

The application was submitted by Universal Keller Sign System on behalf of the restaurant.

The board agreed the correct procedures were followed and declined to issue the permit.

A building permit — for a 24-foot-tall double-faced aluminum

sign and the addition of a logo on the canopy — was approved for the Phillips 66 Service Station at 3710 Illinois 111.

"Do they already have it (the sign) on?" asked Trustee Louis Whitsell. "No, I don't believe so," someone answered. "Then it's OK," Whitsell said.

The Phillips 66 permit was approved.

A proposal from the Illinois Department of Transportation was referred for review by Village Attorney Keith Jensen and John Hales, engineer.

The proposal calls for improvement of sections of Chain of Rocks Road between Illinois 111 and Illinois 157.

Although IDOT and the state will bear the primary cost of the resurfacing project, estimated at \$236,900, the village must take responsibility for relocation of any village-owned utilities and cause any private utilities to be relocated.

No utilities owned by the village are located in the area. But Sand Road, which enters old Chain of Rocks Road, lies within the village boundaries, it was

noted. Approval of plans and specifications by the village is required prior to the state advertising for bids on performing the work, Dale L. Klorer, district engineer, said.

In addition to pavement resurfacing and shoulder work, the state agreed to make surveys, prepare plans and specifications, receive bids and award the contract.

Also, the state will furnish engineering inspection during construction, reduce the improvement to be built in accord with plans, specifications and contract wording, and pay all incidental costs, plus the cost of painting permanent pavement markings upon completion of the improvement.

Old Chain of Rocks Road is officially known as State Bond Issue (SBI) Route 4.

The roadway scheduled for improvement lies between Illinois 111 on the west and a recently relocated portion of Old Chain of Rocks at its eastern end, immediately west of Illinois 157.

Judge to give verdict today

By Terry Hillig
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — A Granite City youth charged with first-degree murder will learn his fate today.

Leon J. Hayes, 17, waived his right to a jury trial and Associate Judge J. Lawrence Keshner is expected to announce the verdict Wednesday, April 3.

Hayes is charged in the Oct. 5 fatal stabbing of Dwight David Sumner, 21, of Alton, at the Vandalia Bicycle Trail parking lot in Alton.

Hayes testified Wednesday that he swung a knife at Sumner to protect himself and to scare Sumner, who he said was beating him.

Hayes said he and three friends had got into his car to leave the area when Christopher Logan, who was with another group of youths, jumped out and began fighting

with Sumner. Hayes said he did not know what the fight was about.

"I was trying more or less to break up the fight," Hayes said. He said he had burned his hand earlier and was in a hurry to get medical attention.

Hayes said he didn't throw any punches, but Sumner knocked him down. By the time he got up, Sumner and Logan had moved closer to the entrance to the bicycle trail and continued to fight, Hayes testified.

As he watched, Sumner ran onto the trail, Hayes said. Logan started after him but slipped and fell, Hayes said.

He said he did not run past Logan, as Logan testified Tuesday.

"I saw David coming back at me," Hayes said. He said Sumner knocked him down and struck him several times on the back of the neck and head.

SIU-C honors Korte as 1991 business leader

Ralph Korte, chairman of the board of Korte Construction Co., has been named Southern Illinois 1991 Business Leader of the Year by the College of Business and Administration at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Korte will be honored at the college's annual awards banquet at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 12, in the SIU-C Student Center ballrooms. The award honors individuals with a strong regional reputation for outstanding business achievements.

Nominees are also judged on the basis of personal achieve-

ment and community service work.

Korte, of Highland, started out in the construction business after returning from the Korean War.

Although the company's construction materials center is still in Highland, Korte moved the company offices to Union Station in St. Louis.

Korte is past president of the Boy Scouts of America's Mighty Rivers Area. He serves on the board of the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association, Landmark Bancshares Inc., Deaconess Hospital, the Arts and Education Council and the National School Yards.

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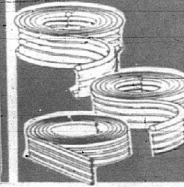
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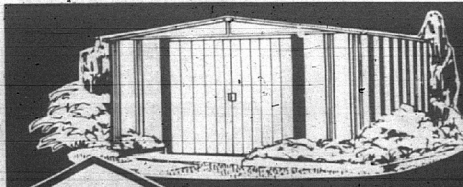
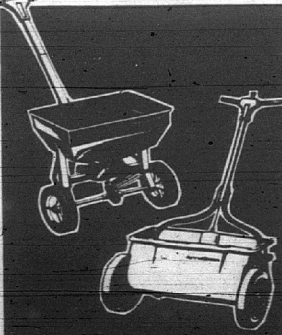
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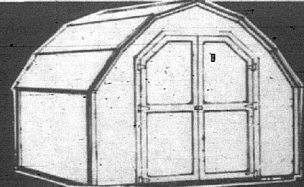
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Levin is a 1983 graduate of Granite City High School North and a 1988 graduate of Peru State University at Peru, Neb. The soldier recently completed jump (paratroop) school and will go into Ranger training in preparation for joining the 3rd Battalion of the 7th Ranger Regiment.

Levin is married to the former Michelle Morgan and they have two children, Alisha, 4, and Matthew, two months.

His parents are Roger and Judith Levin of Granite City.

Friends wishing to write the honor graduate may address mail to: Brian and Michelle Levin, 125 Oakley Court, Columbus, Ga. 31906.

Senior orchestra slated to perform

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program Orchestra of Belleville Area College's Programs and Services for Older Persons will entertain during April.

The performances are free and open to the public.

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April 3, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Rosewood Care Center, 100 Rosewood Village Drive, Swansea.

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Developed by the American Cancer Society, a four-week FreshStart class will be offered beginning Thursday, April 18, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Wellness Center, 2103 Iowa St. Cost is \$25 per person. Early registration is suggested. To register or for more information, the Wellness Center can be called at 798-3WEL.

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Representatives of Quad City area civic, social, fraternal, veterans, military, business, labor, church and school organizations are invited to join in planning a large-scale Flag Day parade, scheduled for Saturday, June 15, in Granite City.

The parade will honor servicemen returning from Operation Desert Storm and the national

resurgence of patriotism.

Residents, business people, veterans, civic leaders and all organizations in the Quad City community are to attend a meeting at the new Granite City Elks Lodge 1063 building, located at 4801 Maryville Road, at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 4.

Planning for the parade started about six weeks ago and two meetings have been held.

Those who attended the previous two meetings are being urged to return to help consolidate plans for a first annual Flag Day parade, said Jim Taylor, a member of American Legion Post 113 in Granite City.

All persons interested in par-

ticipating are asked to go to the meeting, Taylor said. Flag Day is June 14, but the parade is being arranged for the following day, Saturday, June 15.

he noted. For further information, persons may call Mary Scarsdale, Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, at 451-9638.

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County is 2nd in meat production

Madison County was ranked second in the state in total wheat production for 1990. The county produced a total of 3.06 million bushels of wheat for the 1990 growing season. Madison County ranked second to Washington County which produced 3.25 million bushels of wheat.

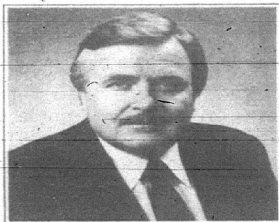
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\$23,750 a year. Rep. Kurt Granberg, D-Centralia, and Sen. Harry Woodyard, R-Chrisman, introduced bills for the townships revenue sharing plan.

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Obituaries

Byers

Theodore "Ted" Byers, 79, of Granite City died at 6 a.m. Tuesday, April 2, 1991, at Mar-Ka Nursing Home, Mascoutah, where he had been a patient for a short time.

Born in Valmeyer, Ill., he resided in Granite City for 20 years. He was a heavy-equipment operator for 40 years and was a member of the Operating Engineers in Mifflin. He retired in 1978.

He was a veteran and a member of the Granite City Foursquare Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include his wife, Rachel (Martin) Byers; three daughters, Judy Hankins of Decatur, Dorothy Vanderbol of Webb City, Mo., and Betty Baldwin of New Concord, Ky.; five sons, George Davison of Granite City, Joe Davison of Patterson, Calif., James Davison of Omaha, Neb., Staff Sgt. Jerry Davison of Leesville, La., and Ronnie Davison of Granite City; 14 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. today (Wednesday) and 4 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3839 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Granite City Foursquare Pentecostal Church, 2400 East 25th St., with the Rev. Eddie Linhart officiating. Burial will be at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Belleville.

Memorials are suggested for Granite City Foursquare Pentecostal Church.

Vinyard

Pearl F. (Rood) Vinyard, 76, of Pontoon Beach died at 9:47 a.m. Saturday, March 30, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center after a three-month illness.

Mrs. Vinyard was born March 3, 1915, in St. Charles, Mo. She had been a resident of Pontoon Beach for 75 years and was a homemaker.

She was of the Pentecostal faith. Survivors include three daughters, Mary Morgan and Dorothy Kelly, both of Pontoon Beach, and Barbara Stubblefield of Granite City; two sons, Thomas Pollard of Granite City and Rick Vinyard of Pontoon Beach; one brother, Jesse Rood of Branson, Mo.; a sister, Nora Rood of Missouri; 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Nat Vinyard, who died Feb. 3, 1985, and her parents, Delbert and Emma (Rice) Rood. Visitation was Monday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach, where services were held Tuesday by the Rev. Edna E. Edwards, both officiating. Burial was at Valley View Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John W. Davis, and a son, Charles Bridgeman, both in 1979.

Visitation was held Sunday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City, where services were conducted Monday by the Rev. Ralph E. Totten. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

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Survivors include two sons, Arthur Keim Jr. of Cape Coral, Fla., and Thomas Keim of Springfield, Ill.; two brothers, Irvin Keim and Harry Keim, both of Belleville; one sister, Florence Hylemon of Tunas, Mo.; and two grandchildren.

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Edward Reiske

Edward P. Reiske, 83, of Granite City died at 9:36 a.m. Sunday, March 31, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he had been a patient three days.

He was formerly executive vice president of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce and, before that, was employed for 38 years by J.I. Case Inc., a manufacturer of farm and industrial equipment. He was executive branch manager of Case's St. Louis regional office when he retired in 1970.

After retiring from the chamber, in 1979, he served as interim executive director of the Tri-Cities Area United Way.

Mr. Reiske was born Sept. 19, 1907, in Madison County and had been a Granite City resident since 1946. He was a member of the Elizabeth Medical Center. He was a past president of the St. Louis Equipment Association.

Survivors include his wife, Loretta (DeLong) Reiske, whom he married May 30, 1936; one brother, John Reiske of Granite City; and three sisters, Mary Katharine Willard, Rose Buehner and Louise Knutke, all of Granite City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Salina (Wein) Reiske.

Visitation was held Tuesday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, where services will be conducted at 10 a.m. today (Wednesday) by the Rev. Joa Marshall. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Survivors include three children, Kandis Boyd, Kendra Boyd and Kevin Boyd Jr., all at home; her parents, James and Beverly Mosby of Madison; three brothers, Larry Mosby, James Mosby and Jeffery C. Mosby; four sisters, Patricia A. Jones, Daria D. Miller, Shirell D. Mosby and Christy A. Mosby; and one stepister, Cora Jones.

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Inspection

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The food inspector is just one in a series of major issues pointing to the need for a county health department, Pitzer said.

"(The food inspection issue) is the one that people understand most," Pitzer said. "Most people won't understand health issues until it affects them directly and then they want immediate action — and we aren't prepared to do that."

Despite several agencies that offer free or low-cost services throughout the county, Pitzer said there are several residents who are not receiving the basic health care that they deserve.

"This is not to criticize because those services do a very good job," Pitzer said. "They just can't serve the total need."

The not-for-profit groups are all governed by separate boards and cannot be forced to accept or deny anyone, Pitzer said. But a county health department

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FUNDS FOR LAUNDRY RENOVATION AND NEW WASHER: The Industrial laundry at OATH (Organization for Advancement of The Handicapped), staffed by 10 clients, is getting a facelift, thanks to employees of McDonnell Douglas-Venice-Madison American Legion Post 307, the Legion's color guard and the Venice Social Club. The laundry has contracts with area businesses to clean shop towels, uniforms and industrial clothing. Checks are shown being presented to OATH. From left, Sue Willis and Rita Luddon, both of the McDonnell Douglas Employees Community Fund; Jack Tolliver, Legion and color guard; and Sharon Varady, executive director of OATH. MD employees donated \$6,000, the Legion post \$1,000, the color guard \$500 and the Social Club, \$500.

Mother skips hearing in Novy case

By David Migoya
Staff writer

BELLEVILLE — The natural mother of 4-year-old Johnny Novy, the surviving child of Keith Novy, failed to appear last week to try and get custody of the boy.

However, although a judge ruled Traci Novy Goodman was in default by not appearing at the custody hearing, she still would for custody of her son. St. Clair County Associate Judge Glenn Stevens ruled that Johnny Novy would remain in the custody of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, who has had the boy since Keith Novy and his wife, Kimberly Novy, were charged with the beating death of the boy's brother, James Novy.

Keith Novy, 28, relinquished all parental rights to his surviving son, which essentially guaranteed guardianship for DCF. Kimberly Novy, 22, had no standing before the court for custody, although she previously tried to gain visitation rights.

Both Novys were sentenced to lengthy prison terms last week for their convictions on first-degree murder; charges in James' death.

A source close to the case said although Traci Novy Goodman was found in default, she still

could gain custody. But the source confirmed that state officials would be filing court papers soon to sever any parental ties Goodman might have to guarantee guardianship for Johnny's current foster home.

Goodman, who lives in Tennessee, could not be reached for comment.

Johnny was removed by DCF's caseworkers in January 1990 from the Novys' home at 203 S. First St. in Shiloh, more than four years after DCF's was first notified of possible child abuse in the family.

A DCF spokesman would not confirm the earliest case of

alleged abuse, but did say Keith Novy and Traci Goodman, 23, "were the subject of several complaints to our agency," said Bill Wasko.

Despite the earlier investigations, Keith Novy was given sole custody of his two children in May 1987 when he divorced Traci Novy.

During the Novys' trial-testimony showed that Goodman left the two boys at a local police station before leaving Novy.

Their divorce, filed May 7, 1987, court records show, was uncontested by Goodman and granted June 19, 1987, on the grounds of mental cruelty.

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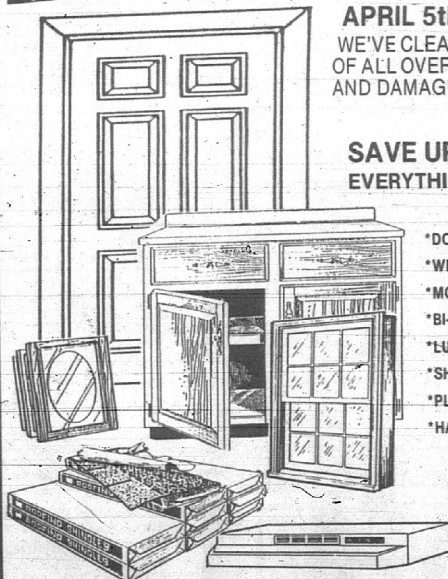
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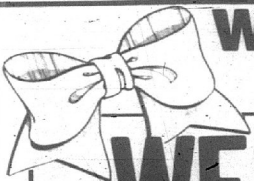
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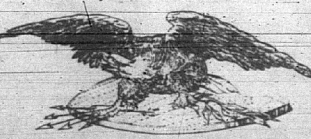
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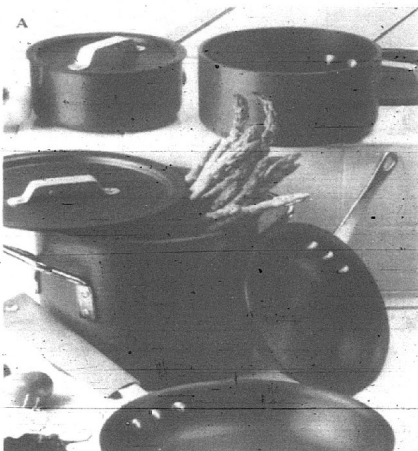
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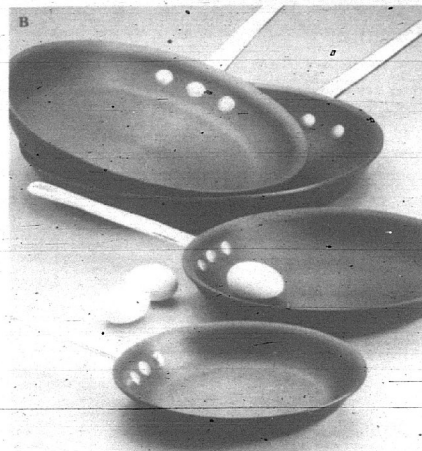
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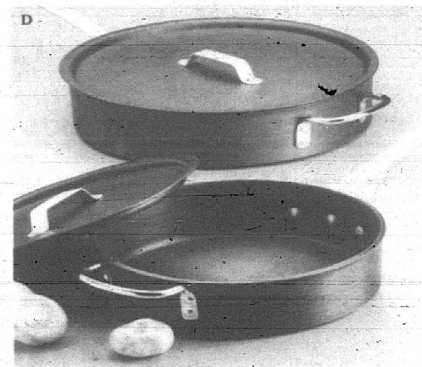
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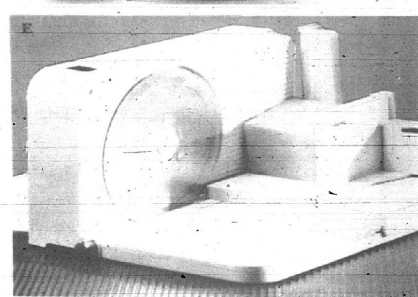


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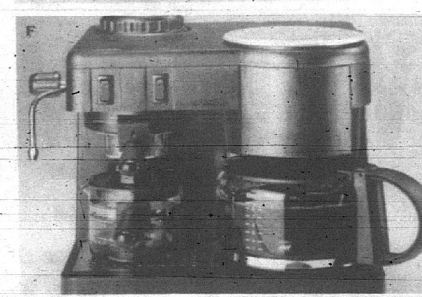
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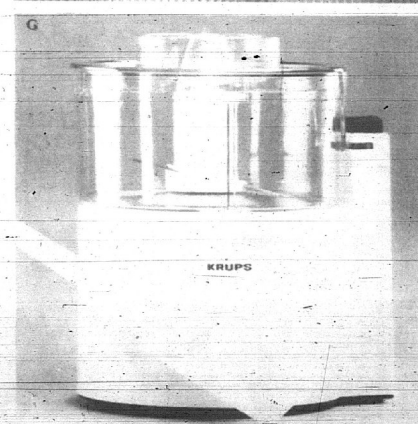
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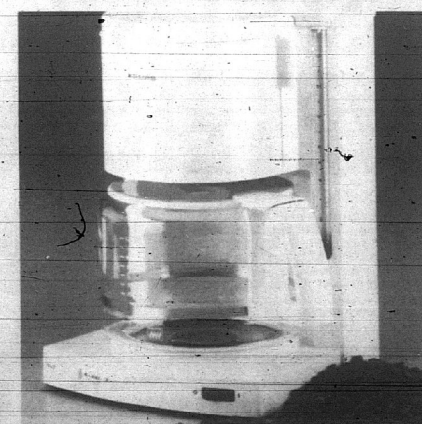
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Reeves, Parney deliver for 5-0 Warriors

By Dave Whaley
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — And now for the latest chapter in Getting It Done. Whatever It Takes. Just Do It.

The Warrior baseball team is going to have to come up with some kind of a slogan as they keep this up. They got the job done again Monday, knocking off the Roxana Shells 5-2 in eight innings at Varsity Field. Dan Parney's single to right scored Jeff Stephens with the winning run as Granite City improved to 5-0.

The Warriors will find out how good they really are today when they host CBC — the No. 2 team

in the Journal Large school poll — in a 4:15 p.m. double-header. Granite City has gotten just what it needs at the right time in each of its games so far. Trailing 2-0 to lefthander Matt Fischer in the sixth inning Monday, the Warriors were in need of a big jolt. Drake Marshall drew a one-out walk after falling behind 0-2 in the count. Then right fielder Ryan Reeves turned

the wind around and lined his first home run of the season over the fence for a 2-2 tie.

"It was a legitimate home run going into that wind," said Warrior coach Bob Stegemeier. "Ryan is one of our captains this year and we want him to lead. He has done everything so far."

Reeves is hitting .500 with six RBIs, but...

"It seems like everybody is hitting this year," he said. "It doesn't just seem like it. Ryno, Seven of the top nine hitters are above .300 so far."

"I was writing something up for the school announcements today and I was coming up with different names all the time," said Stegemeier.

After Reeves' moment in the spotlight, it was almost Jason Maxfield's turn. The sophomore center fielder came within an eyelash of winning the game in the seventh. Billy Van Buskirk singled and stole second. With two outs, Maxfield lined one into right field which looked like the winning hit. But Shell right fielder Brent Bosse made a sparkling sliding catch.

Undaunted, the Warriors came right back in the eighth. Shortstop Jeff Stephens (see related story) had been 0 for 3, but he singled to left and stole second. With one out, Reeves was intentionally walked. But Parney fouled up that strategy by dropping one in front of Bosse as Stephens scored easily.

Parney got off to a bit of a slow start, but had three hits in the last game and hit the ball well all day Monday. He swung wildly at a bad pitch just prior to winning the game.

"He wanted to hit it out and he was a little impatient," said Stegemeier. "It's nice to have a kid strong enough to muscle one over the infield like he did. And the ball Danny hit the time before would have been a home run if the wind hadn't held it up."

The Warriors had only two hits in the first five innings off Fischer, who had struck out 12 in a five-inning game last week.

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GC thinclads tie for sixth at East relays

By Brian Henry
Correspondent

BELLEVILLE — Dave McClain knew Alton and East St. Louis would be the track teams to beat in the Southwest Conference. He can add Belleville East and Belleville West to that list.

East St. Louis and West were fourth in the eight-team Belleville East Relays on Saturday. The Warriors tied for sixth with Cahokia with 52 points. Hazelwood East won with 174 points. O'Fallon was third, Mt. Vernon was fifth and Edwardsville brought up the rear.

"We are going to take our lumps this year in the conference," said McClain. "The other teams are up this year and we're down a bit."

In a relay format, Granite City took first in the high jump. Senior Dan Brazee set a meet record with a jump of 6-8 as he anchored a Warrior team with senior Brian Cholevik, sophomore Eric Miner and freshman Jim Martinez. The Warriors took second in the discus with juniors Larry Curry and Kohn-Selph, senior Mark Cotter and freshman Matt Lammann. Curry, Cotter and Lammann teamed with junior Mike Vaughn to take third in the shot put.

Granite City also placed fourth in two distance events. Senior Justin Stallings, juniors Brian Seiz and Lance Reynolds and sophomore Brian Reed were fourth in the four-mile relay. Seiz, Reynolds, Reed and senior Tim White took fourth in the distance medley.

"Our placement where I thought we would," said McClain. "West and East have a lot of depth and that makes them that much stronger."

The high jump and weight events will be Warrior strength distance kids are getting there," said McClain. "They didn't come into the season week and have shown on the track. And with our sprinting not being up to par, we're

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Defense, pitching again costly for Lady Warriors

By Brian Henry
Correspondent

WOOD RIVER — The biggest question facing the Lady Warrior softball team when the season started was: Where would the offense come from?

That question has been answered as Granite City has scored 13 runs in the first two games. But that hasn't prevented an 0-2 start. The reason is defense and pitching. As the Lady Warriors have allowed 30 runs in two games. Incredibly, only four of those runs off pitcher Mia Puhse have been earned. Puhse walked 12 and had 11 wild pitches in a 15-6 loss to Wood River on Monday.

"Mia knew she was off today," said Granite City coach John Hutchings. "A lot of those pitches didn't look too hard, but when she was wild, she was really wild."

In contrast, Wood River pitcher Davi Knoblich walked only two and struck out six. She was 14-3 last year, including 2-0 against the Lady Warriors.

"Davi didn't have her good stuff today," said Oiler coach Sandy Magurany. "She has been working too hard lately, but she'll get better as the season continues."

The Oilers batted around and

scored four in the first. Keri Knight had a two-run homer and Puhse walked four of the next six. One run scored on a wild pitch and another run scored when Dottie Phillips' pop-up dropped between Puhse and second baseman Lori Lignoul.

"We've had problems getting out of the first inning," said Hutchings. "Those first-inning jitters got to us. The wild pitches didn't help either."

Granite City got two in the third as Terri Buster walked, stole second, went to third when Lignoul's grounder was mishandled and scored on the back end of a double steal with Lignoul, who scored on a throwing error. Two more Oilers runs scored on wild pitches, but Melissa Tapp and Dawn Bazzell had RBI singles in the fourth to make it 6-4. Wood River got three in the fifth highlighted by Phillips' RBI double, but the Lady Warriors refused to go quietly. Karen

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Stephens a 'Wizard' at plate, in field

By Dave Whaley
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — He plays shortstop. He wears uniform No. 1. And last week he performed like a Wizard.

No, it's not you-know-who. We're talking about the Warrior senior Jeff Stephens. And while the Cardinals' Wizard of Shortstop is known mainly for his defense, Stephens is known mainly for his offense.

And that took some doing because Stephens, the East Side Publications Journal Athlete of the Week, handled 12 chances flawlessly as Granite City opened the season with back-to-back doubleheader seasons of Washington and Galesburg to start the season.

Stephens was the consummate leadoff man last week with an incredible .800 on-base percentage. In 15 plate appearances he made only three outs and one of those was a sacrifice fly. He was 8 for 11 (.727) with five runs scored and five RBIs and was the hottest hitter on a hot-hitting team.

In the first game of the Washington double-header March 25, Stephens was 2 for 3 with a walk and a run scored in a 10-0 win. In the nightcap, he was again 2 for 3 with two walks and two runs scored.

In the first game against Galesburg, Stephens was again 2 for 3 with a walk, an RBI and a run scored as Granite City won 7-6. He rounded out the

week in the nightcap by going 2 for 2 with a walk, a stolen base, two runs scored and the sacrifice fly in an 8-1 win.

Stephens slowed down somewhat in Monday's 3-2 win over Roxana. He struck out his first two times and was 0 for 3, but he then singled to start the eighth inning, stole second and scored the winning run on Dan Parney's single to right. He also made a good play to throw out Brent Bosse with the go-ahead run at third to end the seventh inning. Stephens and second baseman Drake Marshall have also shown they can turn the double play on a consistent basis.

"I had no concerns about Jeff defensively at shortstop," said Warrior coach Bob Stegemeier. "And now his mechanics at the plate are so much better."

Stephens hit just .148 as a junior. While his average isn't likely to stay where it is right now (.600), neither is it likely to dip anywhere near where it was in 1990.

"Jeff was lunging at pitches and was off-balance all the time last year," said Stegemeier. "He's staying back better now, and he's also a great bunter. He will get a lot of bunt hits."

That's one way to break out of a slump. But so far, Stephens is as far from a slump as a player can get.

Each week one varsity athlete from Granite City, Modesto, Venice, Cahokia St. Louis or Lincoln high schools is selected by the Journal sports staff as the East Side Publications Journal Athlete of the Week. Selected athletes are eligible for consideration as the Journal Athlete of the Month.



Jeff Stephens
off to hot start

Journals Coaches Poll

Baseball

Large Schools

Week of April 3	
1. Edwardsville (1).....	5-0
2. CBC (3).....	2-1
3. Oakville (3).....	3-0
4. Parkway West (4).....	3-1
5. Belleville West (9).....	2-0
6. McCluer North (6).....	2-0
7. DeSmet (5).....	1-0
8. Parkway Central (NR).....	3-1
9. (tie) Fureka (9).....	2-2
10. (tie) Francis Howell North (7).....	1-1
11. (tie) Lafayette (5).....	3-2

Also receiving votes, in order: GRANITE CITY, Varnum, Collinsville, Lindbergh, House Springs, Northwest, Pottsville, Belleville East, Kaskaskia, Francis Howell, Hazelwood East, East St. Louis, Hazelwood Central.

Coaches in poll: Bill Brown, Fureka; Bob Dunham, Francis Howell; Charles Gately, Lindbergh; Steve Kern, Hazelwood Central; Steve Neelander, SLH; Tom Pile, Edwardsville; Bob Robben, Parkway North; Jim Schott, McCluer North; Mike Sigler, Parkway Central; Bob Stegemeier, Granite City.

Journals Coaches Poll

Baseball

Small Schools

Week of April 3	
1. John Burroughs (2).....	0-0
2. Alhambra (1).....	2-0
3. Waterloo (4).....	4-1
4. Festus (5).....	2-2-1
5. Valley Park (3).....	0-0
6. Maiter Dei (7).....	2-0
7. St. Dominic (5).....	2-2
8. Westlin (7).....	1-2
9. Jennings (10).....	0-2
10. Herculaneum (NR).....	3-0

Also receiving votes, in order: Clayton, Principia, Aquinas-Mercy, Dupo, Hancock, Carlyle, Lutheran South, St. Mary's, DuBois, Freeburg, Columbia, Alton, Union, Lutheran North, Rosary.

Coaches in poll: Fred Brunner, Freeburg; Don Buchting, Festus; Jerry Denary, Dupo; Joe Goring, Aquinas-Mercy; Bill Marston, Principia; Dave Miller, Orchard Farm; Joe Orf, Alton; Tom Reck, Lutheran South; Mike Russell, Lutheran North.

Journals Coaches Poll

Girls Soccer

Week of April 3	
1. Oakville (1).....	2-0
2. St. Joe's Academy (2).....	1-2
3. Notre Dame (3).....	2-0
4. Incarnate Word (4).....	1-0
5. Melville (5).....	2-0
6. Collinsville (6).....	1-0
7. Hazelwood Central (7).....	2-1

8. Rosary (1-7)..... 3-1
9. Aquinas-Mercy (7-7)..... N/A
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Also receiving votes, in order: Hazelwood East, Kennedy, DuBois, Cor Jesu, Alton, Granite City, St. Dominic, Rosati-Kain, McCluer North, Francis Howell North, Parkway West.

Coaches in poll: Gene Baker, Granite City; Steve Bentley, Cor Jesu; Bill Speck, Fox-Vince; Drake Aquinas-Mercy; Duane Haddox, Duchesne; Doug Hippel, Parkway Central; Andy Kuhn, Collinsville; Steve Schuch, St. Joseph's Academy; Dean Schulerberg, Hazelwood Central; Chris Wertenstein, Melville.

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Warriors

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But Granite City got some good pitching of its own. Sophomore Brent Dippel pitched the first five innings and junior Randy Scott picked up his second win in relief by pitching the last three innings.

Tyler Arnold got an inside-the-park home run to lead off the fourth and catcher Brian Lawson hit one out to left two batters later to make it 2-0. But Dippel shook that off and got out of a jam that inning. Scott allowed two hits and walked two in three innings, but left runners in scoring position in the seventh and eighth.

"It was a great pitching effort," said Stegemeier. "Brent will do nothing but get better and Randy has been impressive both times out. You can see his confidence growing all the time."

The Warrior defense was again sharp. Stephens made his first error of the year in the first

inning, but quickly made up for it by starting a 6-4 double play to end the inning. The defense was flawless after that, although the Warriors moved up the relay on Arnold's inside-the-park homer. Maxfield's throw took a bad hop over Stephens' head. Otherwise, it would have been a triple.

"Good teams win bad ball games, and we didn't play well early in this game," said Stegemeier. "(Fischer) isn't a bad pitcher and we weren't aggressive at the plate early. We were hitting the ball, but we didn't have any pop. That was partly my fault. I gave them three days off. But it was Easter and these kids have families they need to spend time with."

Marshall and Mike Nordstrom are scheduled to pitch today, then Reeves will pitch the Southwestern Conference opener Thursday at home (4:30) against Alton.

Sports shorts

Madison softball openings available

There are a few openings available for softball teams to play at the 3rd Street diamond in Madison.

There is one opening for the Tuesday Night Industrial beginner teams league, two openings in the Wednesday C and D League and two openings in the Friday Night Co-Ed League.

Anyone interested should call Jim Broadway at 481-1440. Teams will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

Park has pre-season softball tournament

The Granite City Park District will hold a pre-season softball tournament for men and women's teams registered with the park district.

The tournaments will start on April 15 and continue during the week. There will be no games scheduled on Wednesday night. The entry fee for the tournament is \$70 and the tournament will be double elimination.

For more information, call Ray Hoffman at the Wilson Park office at 877-3059.

Park sponsoring two Cardinal trips in '91

The Granite City Park District will be sponsoring two trips to Busch Stadium during the upcoming baseball season.

The first game will be May 29 and the second game will be June 27. The May 29 game is a 7:35 p.m. contest against the Pittsburgh Pirates and the June 27 date is a 12:35 p.m. game against the Philadelphia Phillies.

Tickets for the first game will go on sale in the Wilson Park Office on April 2. Tickets for the June game will go on sale May 1. Thirty-seven tickets will be on sale for each game.

Park district residents will be given priority, with non-residents placed on a waiting list and notified two weeks in advance of each game. Proof of residence must be presented for each person with no more than two tickets being sold to any individual. The cost of the tickets and bus transportation is \$8, with the seats reserved in the loge reserved section.

For more information, call the Wilson Park Office at 877-3059.

Softball

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Sykes singled and scored on Bazzell's triple. Bazzell scored on a wild relay throw to make it 9-6.

"Sykes and Bazzell were exceptional with the bat," said Hutchings. "Dawn improved behind the plate and had a better all-around game." Wood Kiefer batted around again in the sixth, with Knoblauch icing things with a bases-loaded triple. The Oilers committed four errors to two for Granite City.

"This is only our second game and hopefully our errors will be

eliminated," said Magurany. "Physical errors can deal with, but we should be able to control the mental errors."

Hutchings could say the same things. "We did a lot more good things this time than we did before," he said. "We have to sustain the hitting and play some heads-up defense."

NOTES: Granite City's JV won 18-5. After a 4 p.m. home game today with Mascoutah, the Lady Warriors open conference play at Alton on Thursday (4:30).

Track

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going to get hurt a bit. The Belleville West Invitational is up next Saturday. It's a much bigger meet and therefore a bigger test.

"If you place individually there, you're doing something good," said McClain.

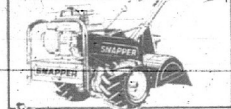
NOTES: Brazee won the high

jump with a 6-6 leap at the Sterling Classic Invitational on March 28. That was a showcase for some of the best track and field athletes in the state.

"The competition was mainly from the northern schools," said McClain. "Dan got to see some guys he might not see again until state."

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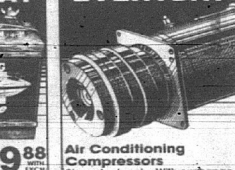
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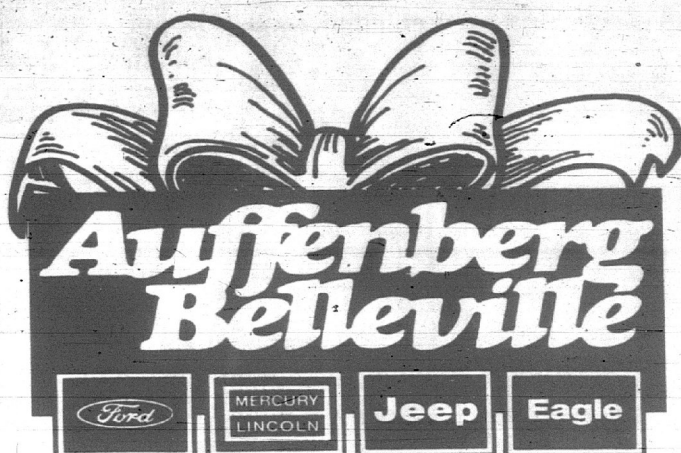
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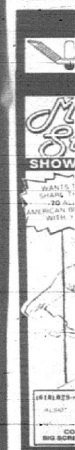
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This calendar runs in every Wednesday's Journal.

Wednesday, April 3

Diabetes Support Group, 7 to 10 p.m., Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3456.

Pulmonary Support Group, for persons with diagnosed lung condition, 11 a.m. to noon in 4-Doctors Solarium, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3019.

Support group for families of service men in Persian Gulf, 6:30 p.m., St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 876-8467.

Thursday, April 4

Chouteau Township Senior Citizens, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Social Center, 906 Thorngate Drive, Missoula.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 876-8467.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 11 a.m., Unity Chapel, Stratford and Village, Granite City, 876-8467.

Al-Anon, 9:30 a.m., St. Elizabeth Church, quilting room, 2300 Pontoon Road, 692-8078.

Al-Anon, 8 p.m., St. Elizabeth Methodist Center, Wellness Room, (first floor (babysitter available), Granite City, 692-8078.

Friday, April 5
Alcoholics Anonymous, noon
and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison
(Granite City, 876-8467).

Saturday, April 6
Sixth Annual Style Show/Brunch, sponsored by Women's Division of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce, 11 a.m.

Sunset Hills Country Club, Edwardsville, cost \$14, proceeds to annual childrens' Christmas Party and beautification projects.

Hard Body Show, 9:30 a.m., Channel 10, guest Harry Briggs on weight loss.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m.,
2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite
City, 876-8467.

Al-Anon Adult Children, 10 a.m.
Suburban Baptist Church, Mary-
ville Road and St. Clair Ave.
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Sunday, April 7
Quilt Bingo, 25 quilts, 1:30 to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Engelbert Hall, 10th and Lee, Madison, sponsored by St. Ann's Altar Society.
Alcoholics Anonymous, 1:30 p.m. and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 876-8467.
Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Pascal Hall, Main Floor, Granite City, 876-8467.

Monday, April 8.
 Alcoholics Anonymous, noon
 and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116 Edison,
 Granite City; 876-8467.
 Al-Anon, 9:30 a.m., 2116 Club,
 2116 Edison, Granite City,
 692-8078.

TOPS 2048, 6 p.m., Mel Price Support Center in Granite City; 876-2124 or 931-5655.

TOPS IL 645, 7 p.m., Anchorage Recreation Center, 2902 Edwards St., Granite City, 452-6102.

Tuesday, April 9
Granite City Unit, Madison County Homemakers Extension Association, noon, Nameoki Presbyterian Church, 1700 Pontoon Road; call 877-6491 or 876-7026.
Granite City Knights of Columbus, 3rd Degree, 4225 Old Alton Road, 7:30 p.m., 877-4250.
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Better Breathers, support group of those with chronic lung and

Mastectomy Support Group, 7 to 9 p.m., Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3510.

Anchorage Recreation Center,
2909 Edwards St.; call 931-6522 or
797-0562.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8:30
a.m. and 8 p.m., 2116 Club, 2116
Edison, Granite City, 876-8467.

Alcoholics Anonymous (women
only), 8 p.m., Presbyterian
Church, Mitchell, 876-8467.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m.

St. John United Church, 2901
Nameoki, Granite City, 876-9457.
Al-Anon, 8 p.m., St. John United
Church, 2901, Nameoki, Granite
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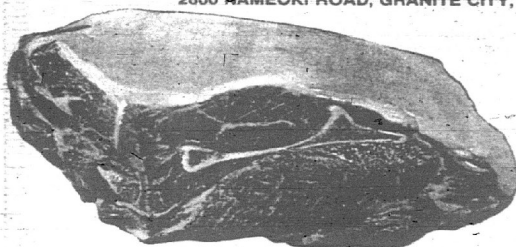
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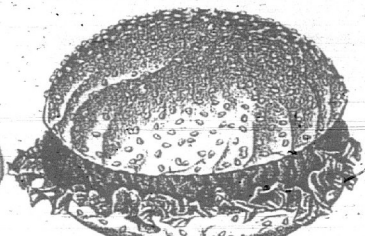
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When Romance Wanes, Rely On Light Food Favorites

By Janice Denham
Staff writer

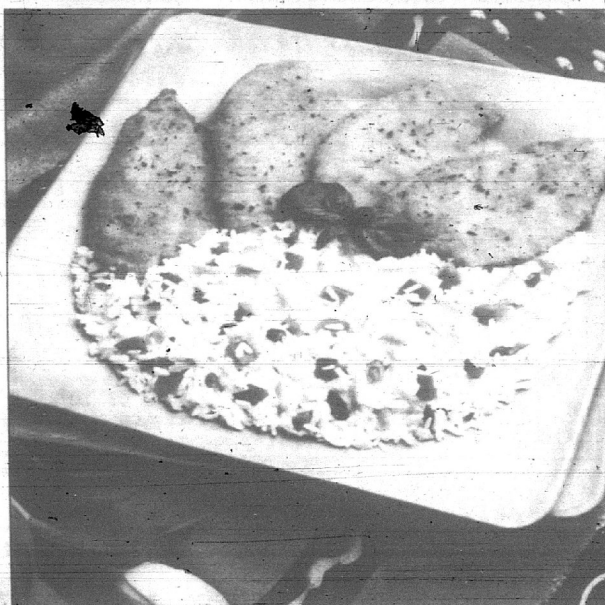
Once a young man's fancy in spring has turned, from love, he usually heads straight to the refrigerator to see what it might hold for dinner. Whether it is his turn to cook or to be a guest, light and bright spring foods tops his list of favorites. Asparagus continues to be in the spotlight, along with fresh spinach, chives and green onions. Of course, fresh strawberries are always a strong spring favorite, too.

One quick way to brighten meals is to add vegetables to rice. All it takes is a bit of minced carrot or diced bell pepper to turn a dish that resembles white snow into a mélange of spring hues. Shredded spinach leaves or chopped pea pods offer the same warm color as the carpet of grass outside. For a true treat, cook rice in a microwave oven according to directions on its package. There is no liquid that cooks over, no extra pot to wash because it can be served directly from the cooking pan and the instant timer offers perfectly cooked rice every time.

Another way to dive into the imaginative flow of spring is to vary the rice you usually serve. A tried-and-true remedy for routine rice is to use a long grain and wild rice mix. Naturally abundant in the cold rivers and lakes of Minnesota and Canada, wild rice is actually an annual water grass, rather than a true rice, so the mixture works well to keep the appetite firmly planted in familiar paddies.

New varieties of aromatic rice are starting to match ethnic palates coming to American shores. American farmers so far have been unable to grow a true basmati rice, which has an aroma and flavor resembling popcorn or nuts. American versions of basmati rice, officially termed "della type," depict a mingling of Indian or Pakistani basmati with American long grain. Another aromatic variety, jasmine from Thailand, has the look of American long grain, but cooks with the texture of medium grain rice.

Asparagus is a typical rite of spring. A little goes a long way because it is appreciated as a delicacy. For a delightful side dish, steam it conventionally or in a microwave oven until it is just tender. In a microwave, cook about 3/4 pound asparagus, covered, on high power 6 to 7 minutes. While letting it rest 5 minutes, warm 1/2 cup (2 ounces) sharp cheddar cheese with 1 tablespoon milk over low heat or on medium-high power in microwave oven just until mixture melts. Pour over asparagus and sprinkle chopped fresh chives on top.



- 1 1/2 cups water
1 1/2 tsp. butter or margarine (optional)
1 tsp. salt (optional)
2/3 cup uncooked basmati-type rice
2 whole chicken breasts, split, boned, skinned
1/4 cup flour
1 egg
1/2 cup plain bread crumbs
1/2 cup freshly grated parmesan cheese
1 tsp. basil leaves, crushed
2 tbsp. olive oil
1/2 cup chopped tomato
1/2 cup coarsely shredded carrot
1/4 cup thinly sliced green onion tops

Combine water, butter, 1/2 teaspoon salt and rice in medium saucepan. Bring to boil. Simmer, covered tightly, over low heat 15 minutes.

While rice simmers, pound chicken 1/2 inch thick. Combine flour and 1/2 teaspoon salt in plastic bag. Beat egg in shallow dish. Combine bread crumbs, cheese and basil in separate dish. Shake chicken in flour mixture, dip in egg, then shallow dish. Shake chicken in flour mixture, dip in egg, then coat with crumb mixture. Heat oil in 10-inch nonstick skillet over medium heat. Cook chicken in oil 4 to 5 minutes per side until golden brown.

Stir tomato, carrot and green onion into rice. Remove from heat. Let stand, covered, 5 minutes. Serve with chicken.

Rice Variations: In medium saucepan, combine 2 1/2 cups water, 1 tablespoon butter or margarine and contents of rice packet. Bring to boil. Simmer, covered tightly, about 25 minutes until all water is absorbed. Two cups chopped pea pods and 1 tablespoon honey may be added after rice has cooked 22 minutes, then continue cooking, covered, the last 3 minutes. Another option is to stir in 1 1/2 cups shredded fresh spinach leaves after rice has finished simmering, then serve the dish.

Makes 4 servings.

Parmesan Cutlets With Spring Vegetable Rice

- 2 lb. asparagus, trimmed
1 bunch green onions, chopped
1 clove garlic, crushed
1/2 tsp. salt
1 1/2 tsp. Dijon mustard
4 tbsp. lemon juice
2 tbsp. red wine vinegar
5 tbsp. olive oil
1/2 tsp. coarsely ground black pepper
1 hard-cooked egg, yolk and white minced separately
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

Blanch asparagus in boiling water about 3 minutes until tender-crisp. Cool quickly in cold water. Drain. Arrange in shallow serving dish. Sprinkle with green onion. Whisk together garlic, salt, mustard, lemon juice, vinegar, oil and pepper. Spoon dressing over asparagus. Garnish with egg white, yolk and parsley. Chill thoroughly before serving.

Makes 6 servings.

Asparagus Vinaigrette

Healthy scones big winner in Quaker Oats' contest

A makeover of a scone recipe which typically uses butter, cream and whole eggs gained better nutrition for the lucky recipe users, but also made its creator \$10,000 richer.

Julia Winter, a high school math and science teacher from Grasse Pointe Park, Mich., revised a basic scone recipe to make it healthier, and came up with Gingerbread Scones With Lemon Breakfast Cream in the Quaker Oats' It's the Right Thing to Do Recipe Contest.

To decrease the fat and cholesterol, she decreased the amount and switched to margarine, substituted skim milk for the cream and egg whites for whole eggs. She increased the scones' fiber by substituting oats for some flour. It follows the general rule that up to about one-third of the flour may be replaced with oats in bread and other baked goods. The low-fat, lemony spread is made with part-skim ricotta cheese combined with frozen lemonade concentrate.

Another top winner has a Southern accent. Picante Black-Eyed Pea Cakes won a \$5,000 prize in the appetizers/snacks category for Janice Elder of Charlotte, N.C.

Instead of frying the cakes, she sautes them in nonstick cooking spray and uses egg whites for whole eggs and ground oats for all-purpose flour. She serves the cakes with a first course with picante sauce and plain low-fat yogurt, but they also make a delicious main dish.

Gingerbread Scones With Lemon Breakfast Cream

- 1/4 cup sugar
1 1/2 cups flour
3/4 cup uncooked oats
4 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. ginger
1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 tsp. nutmeg, if desired
Pinch cloves
1/2 cup (5 1/2 tbsp.) margarine
1/2 cup skim milk
1/2 cup currants or raisins
2 egg whites, slightly beaten
2 tbsp. molasses
3/4 cup part-skim ricotta cheese or 1/2 cup low-fat lemon yogurt
2 tbsp. frozen lemonade concentrate, thawed

Combine 1/4 but 1 teaspoon sugar with flour, oats, baking powder, ginger, cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves, mixing well. Cut in margarine until crumbly. Add currants or raisins, egg whites and molasses, mixing just until moistened.

Turn out on lightly floured surface. Knead gently 5 to 10 times. Pat dough 3/4 inch thick.

Cut with 2 1/2-inch heart-shaped or round biscuit cutter. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Sprinkle tops with reserved 1 teaspoon sugar. Bake 9 to 11 minutes at 425° until golden brown.

Makes 10 scones; 240 calories.

7 g protein, 36 g carbohydrate, 8 g fat, 3 mg cholesterol, 275 mg sodium and 1 g dietary fiber each.

Picante Black-Eyed Pea Cakes

- 1/4 cup uncooked oats
2 cans (15 oz. each) black-eyed peas, rinsed, drained
1/2 cup sliced green onion
2 egg whites, slightly beaten
1 tsp. chili powder
1 tsp. cumin
Pinch cayenne pepper
4 cups torn lettuce
1/2 cup picante sauce
1/4 cup plain low-fat yogurt

In blender or food processor, blend oats until finely ground.

Combine all but 1/4 cup ground oats with black-eyed peas, onion, egg whites, chili powder, cumin and cayenne in large bowl. Mash with potato masher until blended. Or use food processor, processing on and off just until blended but still chunky.

Shape mixture into 8 patties. Coat with reserved 1/4 cup ground oats. Evenly spray each side of patty with nonstick cooking spray about 10 seconds to coat completely.

Spray large skillet with nonstick cooking spray. Over medium-high heat, cook patties 4 to 5 minutes per side until brown.

Serve immediately over lettuce. Top each patty with 1 tablespoon picante sauce and 1/2 tablespoon yogurt.

Makes 8 servings; 150 calories, 8 g protein, 23 g carbohydrate, 4 g fat, no cholesterol, 490 mg sodium and 1 g dietary fiber each.



SCONES WITH LEMON Breakfast Cream is the \$10,000 grand prize recipe updated for better nutrition in the Quaker Oats' It's the Right Thing to Do Recipe Contest.

Guides to mother's health means healthier newborns

By Janice Denham
Staff writer

Bonnie Worthington-Roberts, an expert in maternal nutrition, said recent studies by the National Academy of Sciences give mothers-to-be and new mothers better guidelines on how much weight they should gain and the nutrients they should have.

She was in St. Louis recently under the sponsorship of the St. Louis District Dairy Council to summarize the studies for the Missouri Perinatal Association Clinical Conference.

"The weight gain guidelines recommend weight gain on an individual basis," she said in an

interview. "Now there are some specific guidelines whether you are of normal weight, underweight or overweight, if you are short or a young teenager. So there is a much more comprehensive guideline, realizing there is always a lot of variation in individuals."

The information also offers a better grounding for health professionals to recommend what nutritional supplements might be needed, depending on lifestyle and dietary variables. "For instance, still women need at least a slight increase in iron during pregnancy. Now there is more attention to other nutrients, like folic acid, which also may need to be increased."

"A lot of what has gone on in prenatal care in recent years has been sort of gut reaction," she said. "Essentially, this is a review since the late '60s of everything that has gone on since then."

Recommendations for weight gain during pregnancy have changed. Worthington-Roberts said there was a time when every pregnant woman was expected to gain only 15 pounds. The recommendation after that was just the opposite, that a woman should eat "to appetite," which gave many women too much leeway for their own and their babies' good.

Low birth weight can result in babies who are not tended well

by their mothers before they are born. In reviewing worldwide birth statistics for developed countries, the United States is nowhere near the top in the percentage of live births.

"Why are we in such bad shape? We don't take care of some of the needy people before they have their children."

She said more money is being apportioned to prenatal care because a healthy mother, not just a healthy baby, should be a goal of maternal nutrition. However, when money is used for such programs, health care dollars usually decrease in other needy areas, such as preschool children's health care.

The St. Louis District Dairy

Council offers a 12-month calendar called "Great Beginnings," which includes the suggested weight gains, diet tips, answers to common questions about pregnancy and information on fetal development as it should be occurring. It is available by sending \$3 to the dairy council, 6710 Manchester Road, St. Louis, 63141.

Worthington-Roberts feels pregnancy is a prime time to improve a woman's health overall, because she is in tune with good practices.

"Women who focused on other things, like staying skinny to attract their friend, finally realize they have a fetus to take care of. It can be a motivating

time," she said.

Once the baby is born, breastfeeding is the method preferred for best health for the mother and the infant, even though infant formula available in the U.S. is among the safest and most comparable to human milk. Lactating women drink more milk—the cause being psychological or physiological is unknown.

The nutritionist said the U.S. averages 32 percent who breastfeed. The mountainous regions of western states have a high percentage of 70 to 80 percent, while states like Missouri, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama bring the average down with 20 to 30 percent.

News



FUTURE DOCTOR: St. Elizabeth Medical Center obstetric-gynecology nurse Cindy Granddier takes three-year-old Sarah Hartzel's blood pressure during a recent Tender Loving Bear Care class at the Holy Family Learning Center in Granite City. Sarah's father is Dr. Rod Hartzel, a member of SEMC's medical staff. The class is designed to alleviate the fear that sometimes accompanies a visit to the doctor.

Park district officials plan second Iowa trip

The Granite City Park District will be making another weekend trip to the Pella, Iowa area at the time of the 50th Annual Tulip Time Festival. A trip was made there last year and all the Saturday events were rained out.

Therefore, many requests have been made to return to be able to see the street scrubbers, Dutch dancers, stage performance and parade.

This will be the first three-day trip of the season for the Park District with the departure date May 19 and returning on Sunday, May 21.

The group will leave the Wilson Park Ice Rink early on Friday morning and journey to Amama, Iowa, for a visit to one of the Amama colonies known for woolen mills, butcher shops, furniture factories and many other old world crafts. A late afternoon meal will be featured at the Oxy-Yoke Inn in Amama that specializes in German/American food. This will be a family style meal.

Friday and Saturday evening will be spent at the Newton Inn in Newton, Iowa, where a courtyard reception will welcome the group. The cost of the motel includes a complete breakfast in the restaurant on the premises.

Saturday morning the bus will

head for Pella for Tulip Time, often called "Spring's Masterpiece." A full day has been planned including a bus tour of the town, museum visit and noontime meal at one of the local churches, in addition to the events mentioned above. There will also be time to browse the many Dutch bakeries and markets.

Sunday the return trip will be a different route through Southern Iowa with a stop in historic Havana, Illinois, that was originally a Mormon settlement and now termed as one of Illinois' best kept secrets. There will be a tour of Navoo before an outstanding buffet meal at the Navoo Hotel.

The cost of the entire weekend is \$176 per person for a single, \$140 each for a double room, \$124 each for a triple room and \$117 for four to a room. This includes the bus, motel, five meals and all the activities in Pella.

Reservations will go on sale in the Wilson Park Office on Thursday, April 11, at 9 a.m. Proof of residence must be presented for each person making the trip and no one person can make reservations for more than one room. All costs must be paid at the time the trip goes on sale.

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Millikin University junior Mirilla Ostree of Granite City is the house manager of Pi Beta Phi social sorority.

Ostree is a daughter of Branko and Kathy Ostree of Granite City and a 1988 graduate of Marquette High School. She is a business administration major.

ISU dean's list named

A total of 1,558 students at Illinois State University have been recognized for their scholarship by being included in the Dean's List of their respective colleges for the Fall 1990 semester that ended Dec. 14. Students who make the Dean's List have achieved grade-point averages that place them in the top 10 percent of their respective colleges at the university. The exception is the College of Business, which requires its Dean's List students also to have a grade-point of at least 3.6 on a scale of 4.0.

Area students include: Edwardsville: Janice L. Brock; Freeburg: Sheila M. Zipfel; Granite City: Barbara E. Porter.

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ADOPT A WHALE: Second grade pupils at Frohardt School examine a poster of a killer whale, one of the endangered species the class is learning about. Tiffany Mainer received the poster from Earthtrust and presented it to Don Kopp, Frohardt principal, at right, and her classmates.

Frohardt students adopt killer whale

Second grade classes at Frohardt School have adopted a whale as a class project.

The children have been learning about "Our Endangered Species" and the "Saving Our Whales" program. Youngsters participating in the project are in the second grade, classes taught by Betty Bolt, Kathleen Kirksey and Sharon Pfroender.

The classes became aware and interested in these subjects when Mrs. Denise Mainer, a parent and room mother at Frohardt School, visited Hawaii recently with her husband, Gary, and daughter, Tiffany.

The family observed the migration of killer whales and attended informational sessions on the endangered whales.

Tiffany, a second grade pupil at Frohardt, received a poster of a whale from Dirk Younkerman, a staff representative of Earthtrust.

Upon returning she presented the poster to Don Kopp, Frohardt principal, and her classmates.

Denise Mainer also showed a video about whales and gave a presentation to the classes about Hawaii. While in Hawaii, the Mainers met Lloyd Bridges, who starred in "Sea Hunt," a popular series in the early days of television. Bridges is involved in two conservation projects in the islands. The second graders are writing Bridges and hope to receive additional material about whales.

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The Rev. Paul Olson will conduct a series of crusade meetings starting Sunday, April 7, through Wednesday, April 10, at First Assembly of God Church, 24th Street and Madison Avenue.

The Rev. C. Dale Edwards, pastor of First Assembly, said Olson is considered a "hard-hitting preacher of the old time religion." Yet his message is definitely for today's generation, he said.

The crusade speaker's forte is Bible prophecy. Olson is a recognized student of prophecy and expounds upon current events in the light of prophetic scripture.

Services on Sunday, April 7, are scheduled at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Services on Monday through Wednesday, April 8-10, will be held at 7 p.m. A School of Faith is set for the same days from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

A nursery will be provided during the crusade. Call 451-1200 for additional information.

Eagles conference held in Streator

The Eagles Central Zone Conference held in Streator, Ill., on March 8-10 was attended by Florence Hagnauer, Angie Buehler and Vincine Zerian of Granite City Auxiliary 1129 and by Harold Love and Bob Stanton of Granite City Aerie.

The auxiliary meeting was held Saturday afternoon, with 101 women in attendance. Past Grand Madam President Marcela James of Leavenworth, Kan., was the guest of honor. State President Kathie Dullea of Shiloh opened the meeting and introduced her officers and project chairmen. Each of the project chairmen spoke in regards to her project. Membership Chairman Stephanie Smith gave out membership awards to

ladies signing up five or more members. Granite City Membership Chairman Florence Hagnauer accepted a five-member award for Catherine Restoff of the Granite City Auxiliary. Before the meeting adjourned a question-and-answer session was held.

A banquet was given in the evening. Guest speakers were Grand Worthy Vice President Sherman Spears of Kansas, State Worthy President Virgil Goehl of Quincy, Grand Madam Past President Marcela James of Kansas, and State President Kathie Dullea of Shiloh.

After the banquet, a Central Zone meeting was held. The Central Zone Conference last year will be held in Quincy, Ill.

DAR hears president's message

The Drusclja Andrews Chapter of the Society of Daughters of the American Revolution met March 16 at the home of Almeta Thurair.

Regent Linda Koenig opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and American's Creed.

The president general's message, read by Judi Schatz, dealt with restoration of the DAR building in Washington D.C., and stated that the first chapter was installed in 1891 in Chicago. There are now 3,091 chapters.

The defense report, given by Marie Reinhardt, concerned the "Free World Focus in the Baltics."

The minutes of the February meeting were read by Secretary Reinhardt.

A program, "Faith That Moves Mountains," by Ruth Ziolkowski, was read by Audrey Sperry. The author's husband, Korczak, carried a monument to Crazy Horse, who was called "Indian's Indian," a brave Indian in battle and a brilliant leader. The monument is 600 feet high in the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Others present were: Georgia Engelke, Mae McCormick, Jane Vanesler, Emma Schoen, Margaret Belt and a guest, her sister-in-law, Fern Sanders.

Party celebrates three brothers' birthdays

Michael, Christopher and Timothy Lemp, sons of James M. and Beverly Lemp, celebrated their seventh, 12th and 16th birthdays on March 15 at their home on Marshall Avenue.

The birthday cake was centered with a music group deco-

ration.

Those attending were: maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bellman; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James P. Lemp; Carolyn Reed, an aunt; Mr. and Mrs. George Lemp, an aunt and uncle, Fair-

view Heights; Glen Lemp, an uncle; Brian Bellman and Brenda and George Lemp Jr., cousins; Donna Reeves; Edna Canter; Pat Marsh; and Terri Clevenger. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lemp and children, Tony and Lisa, relatives from Fairview Heights.

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Approaching events at Anderson Hospital in Maryville include:

Saturday, April 6: Sibling class, assisting parents in preparing children for the arrival of a baby. Two sessions, 10 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m., hospital cafeteria. Reservations are required.

Wednesdays and Thursdays, April 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 24-25: Prepared Childbirth Classes, 7 p.m., hospital cafeteria, to prepare pregnant women for the labor and birth experience. On April 25, 22 and 29, the meeting will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Maryville.

Monday, April 8: Hospital Auxiliary General meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the third-floor classroom.

Tuesday, April 9: People meeting people to provide relief from social isolation and attention for grieving individuals, 7-9 p.m., third-floor classroom; a service of the Hospice of Madison County.

Monday, April 15: La Leche League, provides information for expectant and breast-feeding mothers, 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the third-floor classroom.

Tuesday, April 16: SHARE Support Group Meeting. This meeting addresses common concerns of women who have undergone mastectomy surgery. The meeting is held in the third-floor classroom at p.m. and there is no fee to attend. Shari Smart of

St. Louis Medical Supply will discuss Prosthesis, bras and clothing for Mastectomy patients.

Saturday, April 20: Early Pregnancy Class, provides information for women in early stages of pregnancy, 9 to 11 a.m. in the third-floor classroom. Reservations are required.

Saturday, April 20: Cesarean Birth Class, acquaints expectant mothers with normal childbirth procedures, and provides information for women scheduled for Cesarean Sections, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. in hospital cafeteria. Reservations are required.

Monday, April 22: Hospital Auxiliary Board meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the third-floor classroom.

Monday, April 22: Parenting Workshop and Teenage Night for graduates of the Prepared Childbirth class who have delivered at Anderson. The workshop (sponsored by the Nursery Staff at Anderson) offers parents the opportunity to learn basic parenting skills and will focus on CPR and choking. The reunion will be from 6:30-7 p.m. and the workshop will be from 7-8:30 p.m. All sessions to be held in the Hospital Cafeteria.

Tuesday, April 30: Alzheimer's Support Group, providing information on the disease for caregivers and family members, 7 p.m. at Eden Village Adult Day Care Center, Edwardsville.

Birthdays cited by Minerva women

The Minerva Woman's Club held its annual birthday party at the home of Joyce Toussaint, with Sarah Metcalf as co-hostess. Attendance prizes were won by Marilyn Bodnam and Kathy Damer.

The initiation of new members Kathy Damer and Edith Farless was conducted by Marilyn Schill. President Barbara Barr presented them with the club flower and a copy of the bylaws and club yearbook.

The club voted to give \$100 to the local group of Southwestern Illinois Southwestern Illinois National Senior Olympics so it can represent the area in softball in Syracuse, N.Y.

The Minerva Arts awards will be presented in the fields of art, vocal music, instrumental music and speech at the annual senior awards high school assembly. Plans were made for the Annual Mother and Daughter Banquet to be held May 2 at the Sunset Hills Country Club. The next meeting will be April 4 at the home of Peggy Solberger with the election of new officers.

Other members present at the party were: Beverly Benoit, Helen Cook, Shirley Goff, Joyce Harris, Fran Holt, Ruth Houser, MarLean Manogian, Clara Parker and Margaret Rehagen.

Birthday celebrated
Spencer Birkner celebrated his third birthday March 3 at a party given at the home of his parents, Larry and Tammy Birkner of Granite City. The theme was California Raisins and a Ninja Turtle cake was served to family and friends.

The party was attended by his grandparents, Jim and Barbara Dickerson of Granite City, and Allan and Mary Lou Birkner of Lenzburg and great-grandmother Vivian Barthel of New Athens.

Highlighting the party was a phone call from Spencer's father, Army Lt. Larry Birkner, who left March 1 for Fort McCoy, Wisc., to join the 892d Transportation Company. He left for Saudi Arabia on March 5.

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From The Garden

Soil testing key element of successful gardening

By Greg Cadice

Why are some gardeners more successful than others? In most cases, a person's "green thumb" comes from understanding how plants grow and their growth requirements. The most fundamental element is understanding soil, and a good way to begin is with a basic soil test.

Typically, there are four important results you should get from a soil test: the pH (acidity/alkalinity) of the soil, the percent of organic matter and phosphorus and potassium levels. Once you know those levels, you can supplement the soil accordingly. Other elements can be analyzed, but those generally have little bearing on the ability to grow good plants. Unless you have unusual soil and have experienced repeated problems.

The pH of soil influences the availability of nutrients to the root system. Values for most plants should be in the range of 6.0 to 7.0, slightly acidic to neutral. Rhododendrons, azaleas and blueberries require more acidic soils of around 4.5 to 5.5.

If your result is 7.5 or above, sulfur can be applied to lower the pH. Mix into the soil about five pounds of elemental sulfur per 1,000 square feet to lower the pH. Water well and wait several weeks before applying more if



needed. Adding too much sulfur may jump the soil acidity, injuring the roots.

Liming the soil to make it less acidic is rarely needed and should only be done as recommended following a soil test.

Organic matter most always refers to decomposing plant remains. As the material breaks down, nutrients are leached away and can be taken up by plants.

Typically, organic matter's contribution to the nutrient supply becomes very low. The real benefit of organic matter is the improved retention of soil moisture and drainage. Proper levels of organic matter can benefit any planting bed or turf area and should range between 5 and 10 percent or more.

Phosphorus is responsible for good root growth and support of the plant's energy systems. If you have used a complete fertilizer in the last five years, it is a good bet that the phosphorus level is high. Phosphorus does not readily leach through the soil so it stays where it was put.

Newly installed turf-grass areas and early plantings of vegetables should be supplied with a starter fertilizer containing phosphorus.

Potassium is moderately mobile in soil. In adequate level, it assists plants with disease resistance and water regulation.

The capability of plants to store potassium leads to lower nutrient levels when grass clippings are removed and vegetable crops harvested. For this reason the testing of potassium levels in the soil is important. If you find excessive levels, some burning of certain plants is possible.

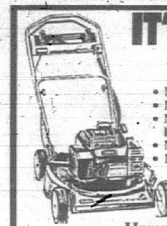
Soil testing should always precede planting a new bed. For established gardens, test once

every three years. Collecting a sample for a soil test is quite simple.

For turf, collect eight samples at the 3-inch level for every 1,000 square feet. Scrape off the top inch and mix in a bucket. Extend the sampling depth to 6 to 8 inches for flower and vegetable gardens. Spread the sample out on a surface to air-dry for two days.

Soil samples can be taken to University Extension, a private soil testing company, or as of June 10, the Kemper Center for Home Gardening at the Missouri Botanical Garden.

Greg Cadice is a horticulturist with the Missouri Botanical Garden.



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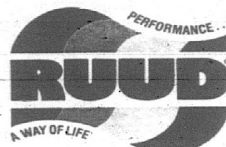
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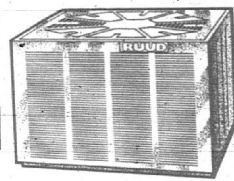
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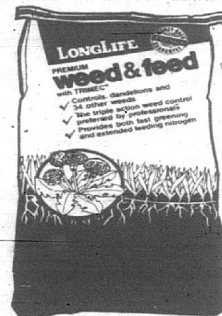
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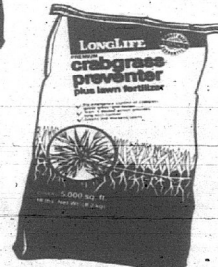
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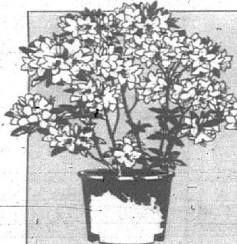
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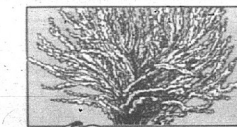
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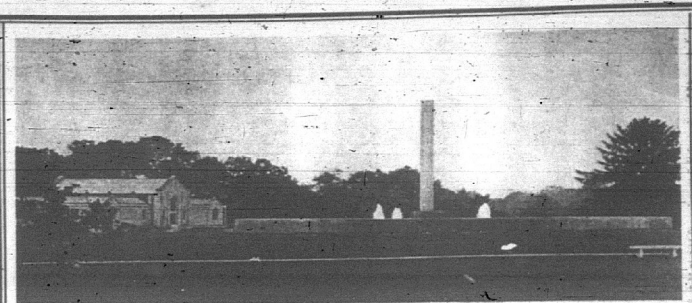
Big Brothers/Sisters give \$3,500

The \$3,500 award presented to Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Southwestern Illinois is only one of more than 60 programs currently being funded through United Way contributions," said Ray Jones, A.O. Smith employee activities committee chair. "We are very proud of the commitment made by A.O. Smith employees to support the needs of the community. Members of the A.O. Smith Activities Committee were actively involved in securing payroll contributions at their work site for programs supported by Tri-Cities Area United Way. The Tri-Cities Area United Way grant will help Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Southwestern Illinois locally to match qualified men and women with boys and girls ages 7 to 14 who live in single-parent homes. The goal is a positive one-to-one relationship between the child and the adult. "All kids need help growing up, but the effects of death, divorce or separation can be especially hard on a young per-

son," said Barbara Cempura, director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters. "Children facing these difficulties often need additional support and companionship. Child/adult matches are based on common interests, complimentary personality traits and geographical proximity. All volunteers go through a screening

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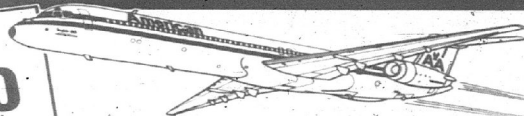
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Garden renovations entering new phase

This year, spring will signal the start of the second part of phase one in the renovation of Granite City landmark Sieveking Gardens in Wilson Park.

The first part of phase one — the installation of new walkways — was completed in the summer of 1990. The second part of the first phase will include the planting of new trees, shrubs and flowers.

The announcement of the renovation was made by Nancy Spindler-Miles, president of the Board of Park Commissioners.

The renovation of the garden began when the Board of Commissioners approved the plans for re-development submitted by Harland Bartholomew and Associates, Inc., landscape architect, in 1989.

Sieveking Gardens, formerly known as Wilson Park Gardens, started in 1920 as a project developed by Ernest Sieveking, who was hired by the City of Granite City to beautify a newly purchased 70-acre tract of land. At the time the area had only 6 trees and had no flowers or shrubs. In 1925, the gardens in Wilson Park — named after the late President Woodrow Wilson — were dedicated.

Following Sieveking's death the gardens were re-named in his honor.

The original gardens were patterned after the very formal gardens of Europe. Later they were changed to reflect the more informal gardening style of English country and German walk through gardens.

Future renovation this year will follow the less formal path. All trees, shrubs and flowers — both annual and perennial — will be identified. A special booklet is being developed so

that self-guided tours may be taken. The booklets will assist in plant identification.

In addition to the garden project, groundskeeper Bill Monical and gardener John McDaniel will guide the establishment of a tree nursery, wildlife feeding area, and the planting of new trees that have been donated to Wilson Park.

All park district residents are invited to visit the gardens to observe the progress of the renovation. Individuals or small groups interested in gardening, are invited to volunteer their assistance. More than 100 different species of flowers, trees, and shrubs — many very unusual — will be added this year.

Through the years, the Park District has shared excess plants and cuttings with the public. This year the gardeners of the area are invited to share their perennials with the park.

Nurses plan reunion

The St. Elizabeth Medical Center Nurses' Alumnae discussed for the alumnae reunion, which will be held May 7 at 2 p.m. The class of 1941 will be honored at the event.

Attending were: Cecelia Hanrahan, Mylene Kriz, Nina Dittman, Shirley Wandel, Bernadine Cooley, Pat Tapp, Ann Klarich, Ruth Novack, Helen Hildreth, Delores Stoecker, Alberta Roney, Helen Gages, Marita Jones, Roberta Gerke, Marjorie Finley, Jacqueline Haug, Ruth Smith, Frances Tobbers, Maxine Carson, Billie Bosworth, Josephine Czervinski, Dorothy Bruce, Marge Huker, Mildred Klar, Dorothy Lewis, Rose Juhasz and Genevieve Phillips.

Baby shower by proxy honors new Navy mother

A baby shower by proxy was given by Lena Kalips and Jackie Kirkover on March 16, honoring Beth Anne (Kirkover) Noll. Heather Nicole Noll was born on Feb. 7.

The occasion also marked the first wedding anniversary of the

honoree and her husband, Phillip Noll.

Both parents are on active duty with the U.S. Navy at Kingsbay Submarine Base in Kingsland, Ga.

At the party, the honoree's mother, Dee Kirkover, stood in

for her daughter who was unable to attend the event.

Gifts were presented and refreshments were served. Games were played and prizes were awarded to the guests.

Others present were Nina Kirkover, the honoree's grandmother,

Bonnie Rutkowski, Darlene (Rutkowski) Hanks.

The honoree is the daughter of Danny and Dee Kirkover of Granite City.

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Consumers hoping for a rabble-rousing war movie should know the 67-minute video concludes with the day American ground forces entered Kuwait, so there are no shots of this March's victory celebrations.

There is, however, plenty of back-slapping going on by CNN itself, starting with a dedication to "the brave and talented men and women of... not the U.S. Armed Forces but... CNN."

The video is narrated by Bernard Shaw, whose tone throughout is somewhat melodramatic. Of the August-day Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait in 1990, Shaw says of beautiful Washington, D.C., "The heat was 85 degrees and the humidity 36 percent, barely a hint of the storm to come."

As Herb Avery's horror-movie music thunders on the soundtrack, Shaw continues, "The last



Mason Wiley

president retires to the family quarters on the third floor of the White House, unaware he would soon be facing the biggest gamble of his political career."

Describing Kuwait, Shaw says it's "a jewel box slightly smaller than New Jersey." Footage of the affluent country make it look like a place out of "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous."

No reporter could ask for a more charismatic bad guy than Saddam Hussein, seen in both his expensive business suits and his self-designed military uniform.

Like a James Bond villain, Saddam orders party members out of a mass meeting because he alleges they are plotting against him. Witnesses testify that his troops raped, tortured and murdered Kuwaitis, even "took the babies out of incubators."

Who can stop this madman? Enter "Stormin' Norman" Schwarzkopf, so named, Shaw says, "because he throws things when he's angry enough." Just in case you fear another psychopath has stepped in, Shaw reassures, "This four-star general has an IQ of 170."

Turns out Schwarzkopf has been making up contingency plans for a Middle East invasion for years, regardless of which country attacked which, and in interviews, the general makes it certain that he's a kick-butt kind of guy.

"If Hussein crosses the border and comes down here, we're gonna kick his butt when he gets here," Schwarzkopf says.

And of course, there are the CNN reporters watching the action Baghdad themselves, with the ever-dramatic Shaw commenting, "Clearly, I've never been there, but this feels like we're in the center of hell."

Despite the slick packaging of the information, which at times resembles a "Top Gun" action movie, "Operation Desert Storm" provides a reasonably well-balanced account of recent history, ably documenting what brought Saddam to Kuwait in the first place.

Best Bet: "Shoot the Piano Player" (1960, Connoisseur Video, \$29.95, 1-800-FILMART): A gangster movie from Francois Truffaut, meaning an homage to American B-mov-

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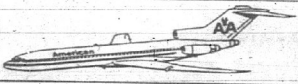
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During the workshop, which is recommended for children from age 5 to 10, participants will discover the microbes, create their own model of a germ, and solve the mystery of how blood cells protect us from infection and injury.

Reservations are required; call 289-4464.

Goldenrod seeks members

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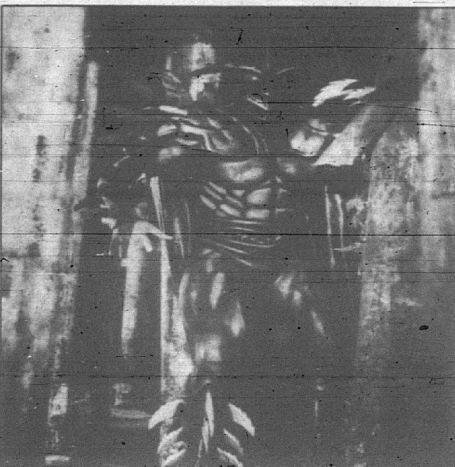
Producers are seeking four men, ranging from ages 17 to 27, who can sing and act, have excellent solo voices and the ability to harmonize well. Two also must play piano. Auditions will be at the Ramada Inn, 1425 S. Fifth St., St. Charles. For appointment call 946-2020. Ask for Shirley.

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'Turtles II': rehash of shell game



THE SINISTER Shredder returns in "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles II: The Secret of the Ooze."

By Harry Hamm

Correspondent

The tremendous box-office success of the first feature film about The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles has given birth to the sequel: "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles II: The Secret of the Ooze" (*12).

The less violent rehash of the first effort offers a new emphasis on music and choreography, including a "Ninja Rap" number by Vanilla Ice. But the entire project turns out to be just more of the same old turtle trash masquerading as worthwhile entertainment for children.

In the first movie, the Turtles arch enemy, the dreaded Shredder, played by François Chau, was given up for dead in a climatic battle with the four heroes on the half shell. But miraculously (the need for a sequel work miracles), an injured, angry Shredder returns with his vicious gang. Along the way one of the gang's member discovers in a waste site a substance, that

turns out to be the "ooze" that 15 years before began turning The Turtles into super-heroes.

Shredder gives the ooze to a snapping turtle, Tokka, and a wolf, Rahzar, who become even bigger and more powerful than The Turtles.

The first assignment for Rahzar and Tokka is, of course, to eliminate the four pizza-loving heroes who hide out in the apartment of news reporter April O'Neil before relocating to a subway car in an abandoned subway station. During the search for new digs, one Turtle complains: "It's hard to find good subterranean housing these days."

Also returning in the sequel is Splinter, the 4-foot-tall rat who, as the heroes' mentor, always is encouraging them to practice the art of invisibility. As far as making movies go, I wish they would take his advice.

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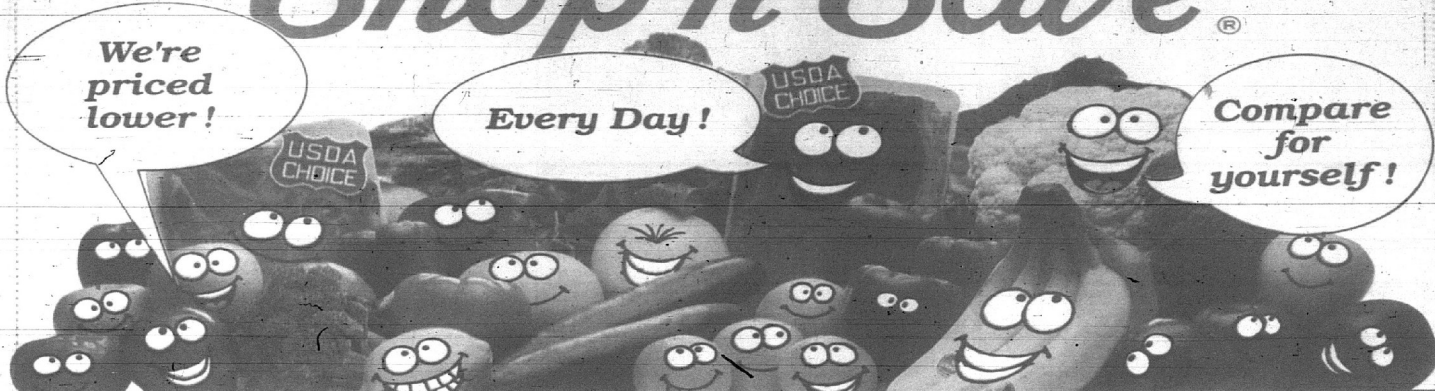
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